

Official Newsletter of the Miniwanca Younger Boys and Pre-Senior Camps

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OPTIMUM HOPE

Share with me your hopes and I'll know more about your real self than any person who is not aware of them. That we can say each of the other without fear of being questioned. Not our empty day-dreaming, not our foundationless air-castles, not our intensest desires or longings, not our itchy wishings, but our genuine hopes tell the story of what we are. And that is the keynote of this Easter festival of rejoicing.

As distinguished from all misinterpretations of it, Christianity is distinctively a religion of hope, since Jesus has discovered to those who have eyes to see all the possibilities of their individualities. He, and he alone, has uncovered the depths and revealed the heights of balanced fourfold living, giving us so great a hope in our latent powers that we dream dreams and see visions and hear voices that speak to us of a life unfettered, and we beat our wings, like caged birds, against all bars that would coop us up.

"Let not young lives be smothered out before
They do great deeds or fully flaunt their pride,
It is the world's one crime -
It's young grow ox-like, limp, and leaden-eyed.

Not that they starve, but starve so dreamlessly,
Not that they sow, but that they seldom reap,
Not that they serve, but have no gods to serve,
Not that they die, but that they die like sheep."

Founders look forward, their faces aglow, their thoughts and activities vibrant with good cheer. Theirs is the same old world and yet a new world, made new because they are looking upon it through clearer eyes and going forth to take possession of it with new hopes stirring within them.

Yes! A minimum of expectancy is the maximum essential for
Optimum Hope. - R. A. "Dad" Waite

The Younger Boys Camp at Miniwanca will "become of age" this summer and celebrate it's

21 ST ANNIVERSARY

Yes siree-ee, every season since 1930 there has been a swell camp on the sand dunes overlooking beautiful Stony Lake. More than two thousand campers and hundreds of leaders from dozens of states have had fun and fellowship at Camp Miniwanca! Across the trail the Younger Girls Camp will celebrate it's 25th Silver Anniversary, and the "mid-century" Older Boys and Older Girls leadership training camps are being held for the 37th consecutive summer.

The reason so many, many fellows keep coming back to their favorite camp is because they know

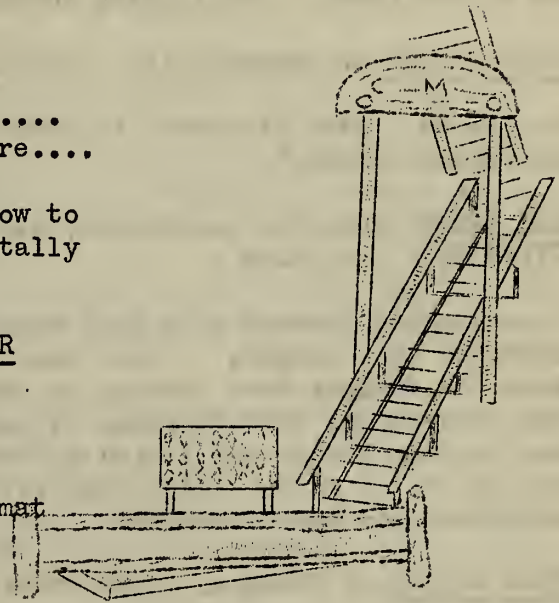
THESE STEPS LEAD TO

plenty of good times - on the athletic field....
in the Eating Lodge....around the council fire....
in the tents....and e v e r y w h e r e !
And above all, campers learn so much about how to develop themselves physically, socially, mentally and religiously!

SO WE SEND OUR EASTER GREETINGS TO ALL FORMER CAMPERS AND LEADERS, and a hearty

W E L C O M E ! !

to the following NEW CAMPERS: (The welcome mat is always out at Miniwanca, and there's a friendly greeting on the inside.)



E. Clifton Allen, MOLINE, ILL., Paul S. Armington, EUCLID, OHIO, John W. Armstrong, BEREAS, KY., James B. Benedict Jr., CINCINNATI, OHIO, Thomas Blakeslee, WINNETKA, ILL., Floyd S. Bond, CHARLESTON, W.VA., David Bouquet, NEENAH, WISC., Kenneth Boyd, OAK PARK, ILL., William H. Burrell, Jr., BELLEVILLE, ILL., George Thomas Christison, MOLINE, ILL., James Nelson Clark, CONNERSVILLE, IND., Frederick S. Crafts, CHEVY CHASE, MD., William Crain, CENTRALIA, ILL., Robert H. Daley, Jr., CHARLESTON, W.VA., Richard Hovey Darwent, WILMETTE, ILL., Philip G. Davis, UNIVERSITY CITY, MO., Kent Paul Davison, TECUMSEH, MICH., Coburn Eastman, HONESDALE, PENNA., Robert G. Eiss, NEENAH, WISC., John C. Fechtman, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Tony Follett, EVANSTON, ILL., Arthur Freer, WESTLAKE, OHIO, Robert E. Gaertner, BLOOMINGDALE, ILL., Ames Gardner, Jr., MIDDLETOWN, OHIO, Kenneth S. Gordon, DUBUQUE, IOWA, Alan Groendycke, LAKE CHARLES, LA., Billy Guckert, Jr., COLUMBUS, MISS., R. Franklin Handy, Jr., ANGOLA, IND., Burke Hawkins, HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Dan Hayes, Jr., MIDDLETOWN, OHIO, Robert S. Heusingkveld, WESTERN SPRINGS, ILL., Donald Higginbotham, RIVERSIDE, ILL., Lawrence Houchin, COLUMBUS, OHIO, Robin Husband, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS., Jack Jacob, CANTON, OHIO, Sam Jenkins, Jr., PITTSFIELD, ILL., Richard C. Kreutzberg, CHEVY CHASE, MD., David Kuester, MAPLEWOOD, MO., Richard P. Lyman, III., EAST LANSING, MICH., Jim Macaulay, DES MOINES, IOWA, Frank T. Martin, Jr., STARKVILLE, MISS., Neil Mathews, LEESBURG, FLA., Kenneth S. Moore, LINCOLN, NEBR., Albert O. Muehlenbrock, Jr., ST. LOUIS, MO., Winchester F. Rood, FT. WAYNE, IND., Richard Rowe, SIKESTON, MO., Edward P. Schlaker, CLEVELAND, OHIO, Terry Thesieres, SPRINGFIELD, PENNA., Frederick H. Thut,

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2. CHARLESTON, ILL., Carl August Wattenberg, Jr., ST. LOUIS, MO., Wayne Weeke, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., James R. West, COLUMBUS, OHIO, Davis W. Wetmore, GALVESTON, TEXAS, Bradford D. White, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Laurence E. White, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, William Yontz, MANITO, ILL., (and there is room for a few more friends of yours).

Four of these new fellows have written LETTERS OF GREETING

PAUL ARMINGTON of Cleveland writes -

"I've been waiting for as long as I can remember to go to Camp Miniwanca. I am very anxious to do the things I have heard my parents and brother Dave, tell about.... such as fishing and turtle hunting in Stony Lake and tobogganing on "Old Baldy". I hope I'll get in a lot of swimming and boating too. I like to play tennis, badminton and softball. It will be fun to sleep in tents, go on hikes and eat on the beach. I'm looking forward to seeing you all in June."

JIMMIE CLARK of Connersville, Indiana says -

"As far as I know I'm sure I'll have lots of fun at camp and I hope to make many new friends there."

FRED CRAFTS from the Washington, D.C. area writes on a post card -

"I am looking forward to a good time at Camp Miniwanca this summer. I have heard what fine times the fellows have through my cousin who goes there also, Pete Hodgson. I have never been to camp before and I wish to make the most of it. I know I will enjoy all the activities you have to offer."

KENNY GORDON of Dubuque, Iowa writes -

"I received your letter and have read it thoroughly and have heard from a friend about skiing on the dunes, but most of all I am looking forward to making friends."

AND A HANDFUL OF "OLD - TIMERS"

have told us what they have been doing and what they are looking forward to in '50.

BOB BUCKINGHAM of San Angelo, Texas writes -

"I sure you new campers will be looking forward to camp and I know you new boys will have fun. You will especially enjoy "Old Baldy", "Backwards Day" and the many different kinds of Night's Doings. You have my best wishes and I'm sure you will have one of the swellest times in your life."

JOHN A. FIELD III of Charleston, W. Va. says -

"Vesper Services still stand out first in my thoughts of Miniwanca. I had a swell time on the Little Point Sable Hike





too. I am looking forward to the Miniwanca Square Gardens again this year, and all of the gang together singing camp songs. I guess the best way to say it is that I'm just looking forward to camp in 1950 and I hope the new boys like it as much as I did. Best regards."

GEORGE BALLANTINE of East Lansing, Michigan says -

Hi! Campers. Time really does fly. Here it is almost April 1st and when the snow is gone, well, you know what we start thinking about. Baseball, sailing, swimming and tramping down the sands of "Old Baldy". It all adds up to "MINIWANCA". I want to say that the new boys have a lot of grand experiences in store for them. I know a lot of the old campers will show up again too."

CALVIN BOYD of Oak Park, Illinois writes -

"Camp Miniwanca in my estimation is the best camp I know of. It has everything combined into a good schedule with the best of leaders and equipment. Once you get to camp you haven't time to waste because you are busy from the time you get up until you gladly get into your cot at night. Our leaders try to show us how we can be leaders in this world instead of followers. See you at Camp Miniwanca."

Did you know that BOB JOHNSON of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin was presented with the much coveted EAGLE SCHOUT award at a city-wide "Court of Honor" in Milwaukee on January 16th? Our congratulations to you Bob!

Did you know that LEADER "SKIP" BEATTY played defensive halfback for Miami University at Oxford, Ohio last fall and earned his letter?

And that CAMPER-LEADER BOB KELLY played left-half-back on his school soccer team which took hands down the midwestern Interstate League Championship. He's also on the yearbook staff!

Boxing Champ GENE GIVENS of Riverside, Illinois has been having a fine season with his "Bulldog" basketball team. In several games he has led his team in scoring... and he specializes in "long-shots". We're glad to know that Gene and his brother Wayne will be back again in 1950, and that their mother will again serve Joe and the campers as Younger Boys Camp Office Secretary.

GUS HAS JUST RETURNED FROM A REUNION AND PROMOTION TRIP that took him south and

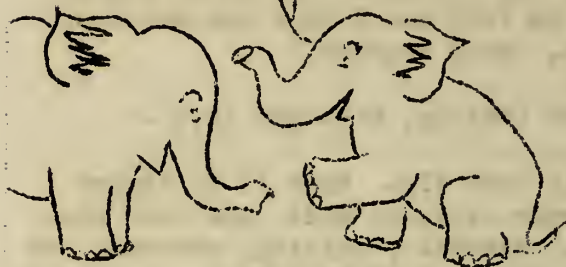
east and here are some of the YB Campers and leaders that he met enroute (and of course, there were dozens of other OG and OB Campers, Leaders, Parents and Friends):

In Nashville, Tennessee Walter and Bill Courtenay and Arville Wheeler; At Berea College in Kentucky Charlie Pauck, Harold Dorf, Martin Ambrose, Roy Walters (and many other friends of the Foundation in the big audience at the college auditorium); Bob Wilson is now a student at the University of Kentucky; Bill Orders is President of the Student Council at Marshall College in Huntington, West Virginia; the Charleston, W.Va. meeting included Harry Porter, George Keller, John Field III, Irv and Jerry Wildman, Jon Watkins, Jonathan Bugbee, Charlie Williamson and others; In two fine sessions in the Wash. D.C. area we saw Bill Anderson, John McCall, Major Bill Oliver USMC and others; Ralph Howard showed the camp movies for us; And in Middletown, Ohio it seemed we were having a YB Assembly Period with Don Barker, Mike Carter, Colin Gardner, Bob Griswold, Frank Jones, Jim Snyder, "Swimmer" Styles and others.



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I HEAR THE NEW COUNCIL CIRCLE IS GOING TO BE NEAT!!



Sure enough, as we told you in the Christmas Issue of THE TRAIL, everything will be in readiness and the boys and leaders will all have the opportunity to erect this pre-fabricated wooden Council Circle. You will remember the spot was chosen by the fellows last summer, and some clearing was done. The wooden posts will be chemically treated before they are sunk into the sand, and all the lumber will be treated too, to insure long

life for this outdoor Council Circle. We always have the Four-Way Lodge to use, but by the end of the first week of camp we should be hold our first "Low-Council" ...and what fun we do manufacture around the campfire! Got a new stunt in mind?

The Wonderful NEW HEALTH CENTER is completed

and will be ready for use on the first day of camp. This useful building is perched high on a dune, just south of the Eating Lodge, overlooking Stony Lake. That is a comparatively quiet location, and handy for the serving of meals, and near the road and source of water supply. It's a trim little building of four rooms, with knotty pine finish, a screened porch and complete equipment. So with the completion of this building the YB Camp is just about a complete unit by itself. Now the challenge is NOT to have to use it....let's just keep healthy!

And you Badminton sharks will be glad to learn that the NEW BADMINTON COURT has been poured just west of the YB Assembly. It will give us an all-weather surface that can be used for many things. So we're anticipating some terrific badminton battles during the tournament play this summer.

We might add a word about the improved Craft House, because the enclosed service bin that Charlie Pauck had built in last year, surely was a fine addition. We have much better storage space now, and you get quicker service at the windows. We have on hand materials for making dozens of handcraft items, and remember that if you want to bring some of your own tools or unfinished craft items that would be OK. There are spots during the day when you can finish up some neat craft projects. The Crafhouse has always been one of the most popular buildings in the camp and we want to keep it that way!

And our old "Toilet House #1" has been converted into a TOOL DISTRIBUTION CENTER and the Camp Service group especially, will have a nice little building to keep all their tools and equipment....ready for instant use! There are always many projects to be done to keep our camp safe and in good condition for our busy program.

LAST
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MESSAGE

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Spring, 1950

TO ALL MINIWANCA CAMPERS....

HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE EIGHT NEW ALUMINUM MASTS HAVE BEEN PURCHASED FOR SAILBOATS
TREMENDOUS IMPROVEMENT OVER WOODEN ONES THESE ALUMINUM SPARS MUCH STRONGER
AND LIGHTER IN WEIGHT SMOOTH SAILING THIS SUMMER

- W A D J E P I

LEADERS' LETTERS



HI GANG!

A great big W E L C O M E awaits you at Camp Miniwanca on the shores of Stony Lake and Lake Michigan as the 21st annual Younger Boys Camp swings into action on June 21st, 1950.

All of the college men leaders will be there to greet you, as together we embark on one of the most thrilling, exciting and worthwhile experiences of your life.

Five weeks crammed full of fellowship, fun, special events, athletics, aquatics, sailing, boating, crafts, ideals, vespers, council circles, beach suppers and all-around good living await us at Miniwanca. A hearty HELLO to campers and leaders from all over America.

- Joe Whitwam, DIRECTOR

HI FELLOWS!

As another year rolls around, camp time draws near. I'm getting the urge to go sailing already. The boats will be ready (with their swell new aluminum masts) and waiting when you arrive! We have more regattas planned for this year.

The Crafthouse will also be waiting for you to make use of it. And we hope there will be a lot of you "little Indians" who will want to work on your Indian Costumes and learn new war dances.

We leaders often think about your activities in your home towns and wonder how you are living the four-fold life at home, at school, in Cubs and Scouts, etc. See you this summer. - JACK SWISHER.

HELLO BOYS!

I don't know whether or not you fellas have read in the newspapers about our water shortage here in New York, but it has really been quite serious. In fact, we have been asked to save water so many times that it would make some of you "bohunks" who hate to wash behind your neck and ears seem almost patriotic. I guess the only reason I have been able to put up with it this long is that before very much longer we will be back at Miniwanca, where there is anything but a water shortage. It's really going to be swell to be swimming around in Stony Lake, or to be splashing around in the waves in Lake Michigan.

Instructional swims are always fun too, because under the standard American Red Cross program they include everyone from the beginner to the most advanced swimmer. Oh! and before I forget it, I want to remind all of you fellows who play musical instruments to be sure and bring them along with you to camp, because we are going to have a musical program this year that you won't want to miss out on!

I'll tell you more about it when I see you in person on June 21st.

Your Founder Friend,

- GEORGE HUNTER

On his recent trip into several states GUS saw JIM BALLENTINE and BOB COOK at the University of Cincinnati. Bob is a senior there and seems to "manage" the SAE House quite well....and what a building that is! ESTON MATHEWS and his lovely wife took care of arrangements in Louisville in a splendid manner. Eston continues to make wonderful grades at the Southern Baptist Seminary and will be back on the sand dunes for his 12th summer of YB Camp. AL and PETE BROCK are busy in Gainesville, Florida and both hope to be back at Miniwanca for another nifty camp in '50. Al graduated in February, and was immediately hired by the Wesley Foundation of the University Methodist Church to continue his fine work with the local young people. This experience will help him, as he prepares to enter the Seminary in the Fall. ED CLARK is at Andover-Newton Seminary near Boston and plans to be back again!

6. The fellows who have the privilege of returning to Miniwanca for the second, third, fourth and even fifth time are SO HAPPY THEY ARE TURNING HANDSPRINGS!

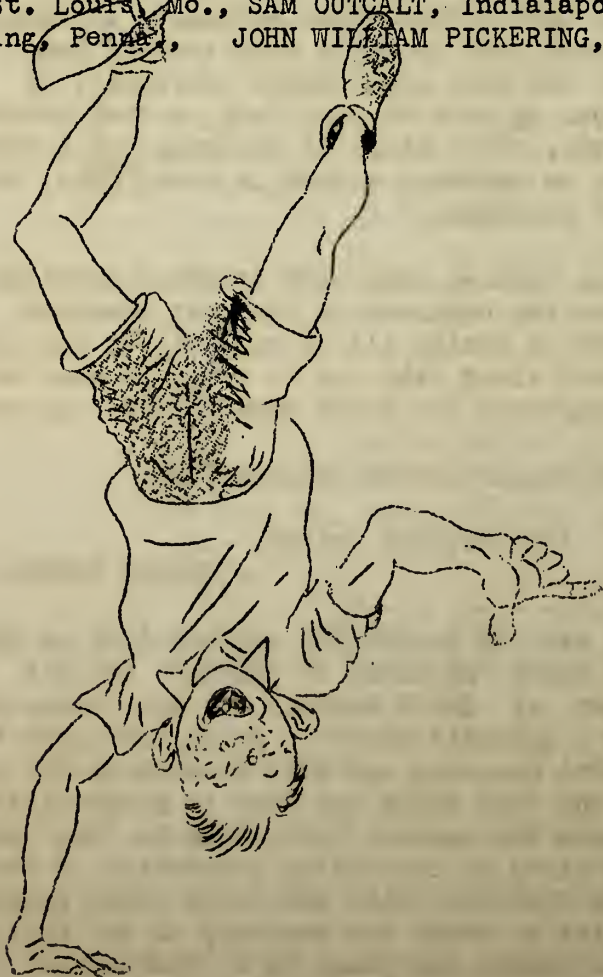
As we go to press, the following "Old-Timers" are looking forward to another swell season in camp! Miniwanca is their first choice again! They know that new fun features are added to the program each year. (If YOU are planning on returning, but for some reason have not sent in your REGISTRATION CARD yet, BETTER DO IT NOW!)

JIM ADAIR, St. Louis, Mo., GEORGE BALLANTINE, E.Lansing, Mich., JAMES BALLANTINE, E. Lansing, Mich., DONALD E. BARKER, Middletown, Ohio, JOHN C. BARNARD, University City, Mo., LAURENCE K. BARNARD, University City, Mo., SAMUEL C. BOATWRIGHT, Evans-ton, Ill., CALVIN BOYD, Oak Park, Ill., JAMES R. BROAD, Canton, Ohio, BOB BUCKING-HAM, San Angelo, Texas, RICHARD D. BUGBEE, Charleston, W. Va., BARKLEY CALKINS, Creve Coeur, Mo., DONALD B. CAMPBELL, Mansfield, Ohio, RODNEY E. CAMPBELL, Mansfield, Ohio, J. MICHAEL CARTER, Middletown, Ohio, JOHN C. PORTER, St. Louis, Mo., WILLIAM HENRY CHRISTISON III, Moline, Ill., JOHN C. DANFORTH, Clayton, Mo., JOHN EASTMAN, Honesdale, Penna., FRED EYNON, Canton, Ohio, JOHN A. FIELD III, Charleston, W. Va., COLIN GARDNER, Middletown, Ohio, WAYNE GIVENS, Riverside, Illinois, EDWIN A. (Pete) GRAY, Champaign, Ill., ROBERT N. GRISWOLD, JR., Middletown, Ohio, WAYNE HALL, Cin-cinnati, Ohio, BRUCE HAMILTON, Canton, Ohio, EDWIN HANLON, Westlake, Ohio, JAMES W. HENSLEY, Clayton, Mo., PETER C. HODGSON, Baltimore, Md., BILL HOWARD, Mt. Vernon, Ill., CHARLES R. HUNTINGTON, Minneapolis, Minn., RONALD HURD, Belleville, Ill., JOE B. HUTCHISON, Sanford, Fla., BRIAN JOHNSON, Muskegon, Michigan, GEORGE KELLER, II, Charleston, West Va., KARL KNEWITZ, East St. Louis, Ill., DONALD KUESTER, Maplewood, Mo., JOHN B. LEWIS, St. Louis, Mo., FREDERICK E. LUDWIG, II, Port Huron, Michigan, JAMES N. MARQUIS, Charleston, West Va., STANLEY MATHEWS, Leesburg, Fla., JOHN MC CALL, Hyattsville, Md., FRED METCALF, Oak Park, Ill., ROBERT MULLEN, St. Louis, Mo., PAUL OBERBECK, St. Louis, Mo., STEPHEN OBERBECK, St. Louis, Mo., HOWARD OHLINE, St. Louis, Mo., SAM OUTCALT, Indianapolis, Ind., SHERWOOD R. PETERS, Plymouth Meet-ing, Penna., JOHN WILLIAM PICKERING, Lancaster, Ohio, NATHANIEL F. PIERCE, East

Lansing, Mich., RONALD D. PRASSE, University City, Mo., DAVID H. RHOADES, Lincoln, Nebr., ROBERT A. RHOADES, Lincoln, Nebr., RICHARD LEE ROUSE, Shelby, Mich., CHAUNCY N. RUCKER, Wichita, Kansas, JOHN R. E. RUHL, Grand Rap-ids, Mich., DAYTON W. SELBY, Mt. Pleasant, Mich., THOMAS H. SMITH, Three Rivers, Mich., JAMES H. SNYDER, Middletown, Ohio, MATTHEW J. SPENCE III, Saginaw, Mich., CHARLES B. STILES, JR., Middletown, Ohio, CARL STREMMEL, JR., Wilmette, Ill., CHARLES THOMAS, Norfolk, Va., HOWARD WAKEFIELD, JR., Chicago, Ill., JON WATKINS, Charleston, W. Va., SHERMAN WETMORE, Galveston, Texas, JERRY WILDMAN, Charleston, West Va., GARY WILLIAMS, Chicago, Ill., (and there will be others we're sure!)

And now we're proud to present the five former campers willing to return as CAMPER - LEADERS this summer (This special tent of high school seniors are leaders-in-training) CHARLES CROWE, Wilmette, Ill., GENE GIVENS, Riverside, Ill., HARRY PORTER, Charleston, West Va., JOHN ROPER, Dover, Delaware and DICK SCHLAKER, Cleveland, Ohio.

These outstanding campers will have a most unusual in-service training experience that will enable them to be better college-men leaders in YB in 1951 or 1952.



Parents Page

NOTE: A good camper shares this copy of his camp paper with his parents! Don't delay - show them this issue of THE TRAIL today! Here are a few things you will want to be talking over in advance with Mother and Dad!

FIRST, about duffel bags and camp trunks or lockers. A little later on, full information will be sent to parents regarding your camp clothes and equipment. Most parents already have the information. Some like to use duffel bags; others suitcases; and still others prefer small flat trunks. In a number of cases parents have had made a stout wooden box, with hinges and padlock, and this is a very good idea. **BIG WARDROBE TRUNKS SHOULD NEVER BE BROUGHT TO CAMP.** It is best to have a trunk that will slip under a cot - the height of which should not be more than 13" - and the width and length do not matter so much.

SECONDLY, we would like to suggest the use of laundry mailing cases again. For many years parents have been mailing a box of fresh laundry each week, and the camper each week returns a box of soiled clothes. To keep this exchange working on schedule, there really should be two laundry mailing boxes for a family. This plan also makes it unnecessary to ship all of your clothes to camp at the start of the camping period. Moreover, it is the safest way to ship laundry and make sure the campers have clean clothes. At the close of camp it's a good way to send things home, since boys sometimes become careless in wrapping boxes.

THIRDLY, a word about camper insurance. This plan has been in operation for several years and we are ready again to give it our hearty approval. The cost is low, \$3.50 for the five week camping term, with a 48-hour travel coverage, both ways, and it covers trips away from camp under camp direction. The limit of reimbursement is \$250 per accident, \$100 for sickness, and \$500 for accidental death. No one anticipates accidents or sickness, and the Camp Miniwanca health and safety record is an enviable one, and we shall do everything in our power to keep it so. Coverage of this kind, however, is very desirable protection. Full details will be sent later, including the name and address of the insuring company to which all applications should be sent.

FOURTHLY, concerning travel plans, it is a bit early to discuss details. Full information is being sought from the various railroads, bus companies, air lines and steamship lines and complete details regarding travel will later be sent to the parents of all registered campers. It is anticipated that our travel plans will be very much as they were last summer. Perhaps this year many parents will be interested in driving their children to camp.

FIFTHLY, it is suggested that early consideration be given to the way in which you plan to **MARK ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.** We recommend name labels for clothing and bedding. Adhesive tape is usable on some items. It is very **IMPORTANT THAT EVERY ITEM BE IDENTIFIED!**

LASTLY, a suggestion in connection with camp correspondence. Many parents find it helpful to sit down with their sons and talk over this matter of how many letters they must write during the camping period and to whom. Sometimes lists of complete names and addresses are furnished, and in other cases envelopes and postcards that have been stamped and addressed are provided. We shall continue to do all we can to encourage the youngsters to write regularly and in an interesting manner. And our final thought would be to consider the whole matter of how much to spend in the Crafthouse. We try to keep the costs down!

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And now for a few suggestions of things boys might want to

BRING TO CAMP

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. We always have a lot of fun in our tents, in the Four-Way Lodge, around the new Council Circle, at the closing banquet, etc. with our instruments... so help us have another good band and "red-hot" orchestra!

COMIC COSTUMES...for the stunt nights, masquerades, or what have you. By the way, if you should find some old costumes you don't want any more, they would find a welcome in the Camp Costume Room.

HOBBY MATERIALS - things you may have started work on at home, and want to finish at camp - just pack them up and bring them along. Remember there are some power tools in the big Crafthouse to help you in the making of some of your craftwork.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES. We hope to have dozens of books from the Michigan State Traveling Library again, but probably you have several favorite books you would like to bring along with you. Of course, there is the camp library which has grown through the years. If you have some old copies of LIFE, POPULAR MECHANICS, BOYS' LIFE, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC and other good magazines which would still be readable you may want to toss a few copies in the trunk of the car and bring them for all of us to see.

FISHING TACKLE. Just how good a fisherman are you? There are plenty of big fellows in Stony Lake if you are good enough to land them. And dozens of bass in the quiet holes of Stony Creek that are just daring you to catch them. You can fish during the interest group period and have a real fish fry out in the open if you want to. So come on fishermen, LET'S GO!

BOY SCOUT TEST MATERIALS. Camp Miniwanca will again be fully accredited by the National Boy Scout Council to pass Scout Tests, and dozens of fellows pass their various requirements each summer. If there is any special equipment that you will need, better put it aside now so you remember to bring it along to camp.

CAMERAS. One of the most popular interest groups is the one in photography. The wonderful scenery and the many action-shots in the camp program, make wonderful subjects, and the boys have their own dark-room in which to develop their own film and make their prints. Bring it along!

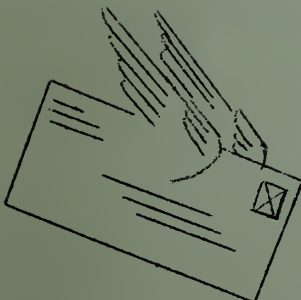
NOTE: Since there are only a few places left in the 1950 Younger Boys Camp, better talk with your friends today about coming along with you to Miniwanca this summer! Tell them how fellows from "all over the map" know about this favorite camp for '50....and know how they will enjoy the action-packed program! After five weeks at Miniwanca a fella feels fit as a fiddle!

Return to AMERICAN YOUTH FOUNDATION,
3930 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis 8, Mo.

DEAR WADJEPI:

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Here are some good prospects for the 1950 YOUNGER BOYS CAMP.



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....and here are a couple of Younger Girls Camp prospects for the 1951 season.

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And last but not least we would like to i n t r o d u c e

SOME OF THE MEN ON THE 1950 YB CAMP LEADERSHIP STAFF.

We are pleased to announce this list of carefully chosen college men, most of whom have camped with us at Miniwanca before and are familiar with our philosophy of camping. Many of them are World War II veterans, and the average age of the men will be about twenty-two. There will be some other former leaders returning, no doubt (and there may have to be a few cancellations too) but here's the line-up as of this date and IT LOOKS MIGHTY GOOD TO US!

BOB ASHLOCK, Muncie, Ind., (Ball State Teachers College); JIM BALLENTINE, Charleston, W. Va., (U. of Cincinnati); JIM BIERY, Iowa City, Iowa (University of Iowa); LEE BOWER, Springfield, Mo. (Drury College); AL AND PETE BROCK, Sanford, Fla. (U. of Florida); DAVID BUCKEY, Rocky River, Ohio (Baldwin-Wallace);

JOHN BUCKSTAFF, Lakewood, Ohio (DePauw University); ED. CLARK, Winchester, Virginia, (Andover Newton Theological School); DEAN COLLINS, Cape Girardeau, Mo. (State Coll.); BOB COOK, Dayton, Ohio (U. of Cincinnati); DON AND JOHN CUTLER, New Wilmington, Pa., (Westminster College); PAUL DAVIS, St. Louis, Mo. (Chicago Theological Seminary); DEAN GRAY, Neenah, Wisc., (Lawrence College); LEIF HATLESTAD, Millersport, Ohio, (Ohio State University); BOB HOHENSTEIN, St. Louis, Mo. (Washington University); DON HOLLOWAY, Akron, Ohio (Ohio University); CHARLES HUNT, Indianapolis, Indiana (Butler University); GEORGE HUNTER, St. Louis, Mo. (Columbia University); BILL LOVETT, Warren, Ohio (Oberlin College); ESTON MATHEWS, Louisville, Ky., (Southern Baptist Seminary); STEVE OSBORN, East Lansing, Mich., (Michigan State); BILL RANDOLPH, Webster Groves, Mo., (Washington University); EARL ROSE, Abilene Texas, (Texas A & M); GEORGE SAUTER, St. Louis, Mo., (St. Louis University); JACK SWISHER, Columbus, Ohio (Denison University); STANLEY WATKINS, State College, New Mexico, (New Mexico A & M); CHARLES WILLIS, Port Huron, Mich., (Port Huron Junior College).

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Please give the attached Prospect List "Top-of-the-List" PRIORITY! We'll be glad to help you get a friend "on the line", but we need the facts from you first so we can write his parents. As you know there is only room for 160 boys at Miniwanca and the camp is usually filled by Easter-time each year. So act today in the interest of a boy friend!

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Well, gentlemen, we come to the end of another issue of our through-the-year paper, THE TRAIL. (At camp you'll be punching out your own DUNES DISPATCH in a few months).

I've been keeping in close touch with all the building going on at camp this Winter, and I know you're going to like the many improvements. We want to give you good equipment so you can have more fun!

Keep "On the Ball" at school, at home, in your Scout troop or wherever you are - and use the "keys" we gave you at Miniwanca! We'll have everything ready for you to have fun the minute you arrive at camp June 21st.

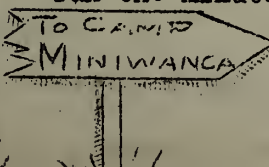
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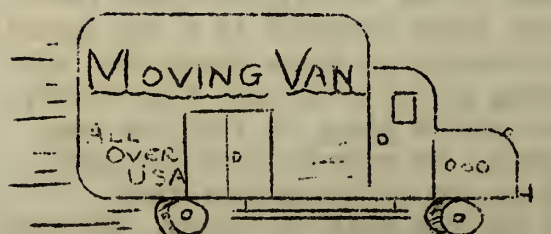
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